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Applicants:	Dodge et al.	Docket No.:	16,184
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Filed:	12/14/2001	Date:	May 26, 2004

For: High capacity and high rate
absorbent composite.

Petition for One-Month Extension of Time

Commissioner For Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

An Office Action which, on its face, granted a three (3) month period of time in which to respond thereto was mailed on January 28, 2004, with respect to the above-identified presently pending application. Accordingly, the shortened statutory period for response was set to end on April 28, 2004.

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. 1.136(a), Applicants hereby request a one (1) month extension of time in which to respond to the outstanding Office Action. Thus, the period of response is to be extended until May 28, 2004.

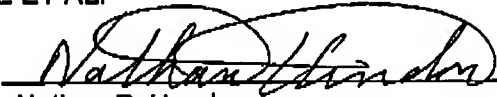
Please charge the \$110.00 fee for this extension of time designated by 37 C.F.R. 1.17(a)(1) to Kimberly-Clark Worldwide, Inc. deposit account number 11-0875. This extension request is submitted in duplicate.

The undersigned may be reached at: (770) 587-8640.

Respectfully submitted,

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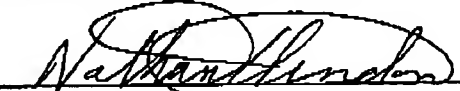

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